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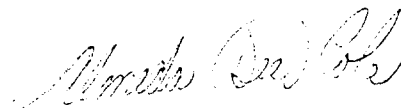
Notice FC-126

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For: State and County Offices

Additional Farm Loan Funds in FY 1997

Approved by: Acting Deputy Administrator, Farm Loan Programs



1 Overview

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Background

A disaster supplemental appropriations bill has been passed that provides additional farm loan funds in FY 1997 for family-size farmers.

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Purpose

This notice provides:

- clarification on loan programs affected
- guidance using funds
- information on disposition of loan funds.

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**National Office
Contact**

Direct questions regarding this notice to DAFLP through the Area Office.

2 Farm Loan Program Funds

A

**Programs
Receiving
Additional
Funds**

Additional loan funds have been made available for the following loan programs:

- direct operating
- guaranteed operating with interest assistance
- emergency.

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Disposal Date

June 1, 1998

Distribution

State Offices; State Offices relay to County
Offices

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B

Using Funds

The direct operating and emergency loan funds can be used to obligate any unfunded approved application.

The guaranteed operating with interest assistance loan funds and emergency loan funds are for use only by applicants in counties with either primary or contiguous disaster declarations.

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Funds

Availability

Emergency Loans - Loans may be obligated as loans are approved in designated areas. The supplemental appropriation of funds provides funding authority of \$59 million.

Direct Operating Loans - Because of the limited allocation of funds (\$50 million) available in the supplemental appropriation, all funds will be retained in the National Reserve.

Guaranteed Operating with Interest Assistance Loans - Control of the funds made available through the supplemental appropriations (\$55 million) will be retained in the National Reserve.

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Requesting Funds

State Offices may request direct operating loan funds by providing a total dollar amount for approved unfunded loans on-hand according to the following categories:

- non-beginning farmer
- non-beginning farmer SDA
- beginning farmer
- beginning farmer SDA.

After submitting these totals, additional requests for direct operating reserve funds must include information contained in Notice FC-82.

Requests for guaranteed operating with interest assistance loan funds must include information contained in Notice FC-82. Each request must also contain a certification by SED that the applicant to be funded is located in a county which is eligible for disaster assistance.
